



**November 9, 2015**

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## **State Office is Closed Veteran's Day**

The state office will be closed on Wednesday, November 11th, please plan accordingly.

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## **State Plan Updates**

There have been a few updates to policies [2.3](#) and [4.2](#) of the State Plan. The changes relate to fiscal policy clarification including allowable and unallowable expenses and pre-approval for capital project costs. Please contact [Kate](#) if you have any questions.

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## **FFY16 Contract Requirement Deadline**

If you have a subcontract for a Registered Dietitian and/or Competent Professional Authority (CPA) or a subcontract for WIC services provided to another area within your region, please be sure that a copy of that contract has been submitted to the State WIC office by November 15, 2015. If you have any questions regarding this requirement please contact [Michelle](#).

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## **FFY16 WIC Expenditure Report Spreadsheets**

If you would like a new WIC expenditure report spreadsheet for FFY16 please download either the [regular expenditure spreadsheet](#) or the [BFPC expenditure spreadsheet](#). If you have any problems accessing these forms please contact [Michelle](#).

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## **Local Agency Conference Call**

Please mark your calendars for the next local agency conference call on December 3, 2015 at 9 am. We will post the agenda as it gets closer. If you have any items you would like to discuss, please email [Kate](#).

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## **Substance Abuse Referrals**

Substance Abuse Referrals are finally here! They are being sent out to each lead agency. If you are a lead agency you are responsible for getting the Substance Abuse Referrals out to all of your clinics. For additional questions please contact Lacy Little via [email](#) or 444-5923.

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## Appointment Reminder Service Update

As you know, we are working to offer phone and text message appointment reminders to WIC participants at all agencies. We have been collecting the required data they need and troubleshooting technological problems, and OCN is now in the process of setting up our account. We are working to make this service available as soon as possible, and we will keep you updated as soon as we know it's ready. Thanks for your patience!

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## Article in the Journal *Birth* for CEU Credit

[\*The Association Between Common Labor Drugs and Suckling When Skin-to-Skin During the First Hour After Birth\*](#)

is a report of a study looking at the effects on self-latch and breastfeeding of certain drugs that may be used at delivery. It is worth 1 WIC CEU. Submit the WIC CEU Post-Article, Short Webinar and Teleconference form to [Lacy](#).

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## Reaching and Keeping YOU, the Local Agencies Informed Webinar

The Local Agency Section of the NWA Board of Directors invites all Local WIC Agencies to [a webinar](#) on Tuesday, November 17th at 3:30 PM Eastern (1:30 PM Mountain) to learn more about their Regional Representative, Voting Members, Committees and Task Forces and what it means to be a local agency member in the National WIC Association.

Have you ever considered that NWA is the premiere education and advocacy arm that works specifically on behalf of YOU and the millions of vulnerable mothers and young children who are participants in the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)? Join us and learn how your voice not only impacts WIC, but is one of the pulsating tones that drive the National WIC Association.

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